

Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) A gateway device, comprising:

a first network interface for connection to a home network;

a second network interface for connection to a telephone network;

a call set up unit for carrying out a call set up with respect to a specified address on the telephone network, upon receiving a solicitation for the call set up with respect to the specified address on the telephone network from a contents processing device connected to the home network, the contents processing device being in a state not capable of carrying out direct communications through the telephone network; and

a transfer unit for transferring data transmitted from the contents processing device to a connection established by the call set up, and data arriving from the connection established by the call set up to the contents processing device.

Claim 2 (Original) The gateway device of claim 1, wherein the call set up unit receives the solicitation made by the contents processing device which has need to communicate with the specified address in order to, process a specific contents information.

Claim 3 (Original) The gateway device of claim 1, further comprising:
a notification unit for notifying that the gateway device is in a state capable of responding to the solicitation, through the home network.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended) A contents processing device, comprising:

a home network interface for connection to a home network;

a protocol processing unit for executing protocol processing for communication with a server device through a telephone network;

a solicitation unit for soliciting a set up of connection to the server device through the telephone network, to a gateway device which is connected with both the home network and the telephone network, by using the home network interface, when the contents processing device is in a state not capable of carrying out direct communication through the telephone network; and

~~a contents~~ an information processing unit for processing contents information ~~according to~~ obtained by the communications with the server device through the gateway device and the home network interface.

Claim 5 (Canceled)

Claim 6 (Original) The contents processing device of Claim 4, wherein the protocol processing unit carries out a prescribed procedure using the communications with the server device in order to obtain a permission to process a specific contents information, when a need to obtain a permission to process the specific contents information arises.

Claims 7-20 (Canceled)